

NEW HAVEN POLICE TURN HOSE ON MOB

Would-be Rioters Quickly
Scattered Under Mayor's
Order.

STUDENTS AVOID TROUBLE

In Response to Dean's Plea
They Stay Indoors,
Despite Jeers.

Special Despatch to The Sun.
NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 28.—Mayor David E. Fitzgerald Ole Hansson New Haven tonight, except that he used fire hose instead of a threat of machine guns, and the biggest "town and gown" fight that has waxed and waned beneath the elms in a Yale generation went home for dry clothes.

There were only six arrests up to 11 o'clock, all of them booked at police headquarters as for rowdiness. The men were arrested for throwing stones at police details at College and Chapel streets.

Town and college had been expecting trouble all day. Threats had been made all through the streets that the fight of last night would be resumed.

As a consequence the New Haven green between Church street and the campus began to fill with a miscellaneous throng of students, women and children. There were few men in uniform in the crowd and those who were there had their girls with them.

By 7:30 o'clock the crowd was milling back and forth in College street below the windows of the dormitories on the east side of the campus. The dormitory windows were closed, the lights in most of the windows were out, and the students kept unbroken silence.

It was a crowd that might have been set rioting by a single spark, however, and Mayor Fitzgerald from his office across the green gauged its temper accurately.

At about 7:30 o'clock policemen began to circulate through the crowd and to urge the people to go home. They got no response and fifteen minutes later two big motor fire engines roared into College street and coupled up to hydrants.

Still the crowd kept stirring about and refusing to move. Occasionally some boy or very young man in the crowd would yell "Baby!" at the dormitory windows. Then without warning the fire hose cut loose.

Firemen Spray Crowd.
Two big streams roared up into the air and sprayed the crowd far and near. The crowd began to break up whereupon the firemen lowered their muzzles and sent the stream straight at the midriff of the front ranks. The effect was immediate. Lines were swept through the crowd and soon the grass of the green was strewn with New Haven citizens madder than any hen that ever was doused.

They shouted protests at the firemen, but the firemen didn't hear. The hose kept playing and the crowd scattered and ran, those knocked down by the stream scrambling to their feet shouting threats to sue the city for their ruined costumes.

Within an hour the green had been cleared. Ahead of the water barrage, fast as it rolled, there strode the lively little figure of Mayor Fitzgerald. The hose spared him, but his tongue didn't spare the crowd.

Pressing the recalcitrants on the arm, shouting and urging with his hands, the Mayor would say: "Now you folks go home. I'm the Mayor of this town and the law gives me the right to tell you to go home. When you don't go home, you're breaking the law of this State, and by gosh—here the Mayor lost his gentle persuasiveness—"If you don't go home you go either to jail or to a hospital. I want you to be fair with me, for I'm one of you, but if you don't listen to me you're rioters, and when you're rioters I'm against you."

Almost every one agreed here to-day—and the character of tonight's crowd bore this out—that it was purely a town and gown fight. New Haven's heavy contribution to the Twenty-sixth Division, when it paraded here Saturday, had been named about the town and exaggerated until it served as the excuse for last night's riot. Investigation by the college authorities to-day proved that no such result had been passed. The feeling in the main between the students and the officers and men of the 102d was shown to be of the best. It was even suggested to-night, and the suggestion was accepted heartily both among the soldiers and on the campus, that the regiment and the college hold a parade together.

"Then if there's a riot," said a 200-pound student guarding the Daniels gateway to the campus, "these town rowdies will learn what a riot is."

Police Chief's Theory.
Chief Philip T. Smith of the New Haven police also believes that last night's crowd was made up of wild youngsters always more or less at war with the boys in the college.

"New Haven," he said, "has been hit pretty hard by this war. You'll see the names of several hundred of our dead on the tablets in the Green. Of course it stirred them pretty badly when they heard the college boys had insulted the parade."

Students asserted that there seemed to be a definite organization in the crowd last night, but the police deny this, and no widespread organization was evident to-night. There were groups of rowdies, each with a loud voiced youngster at their head, but they were nothing more than the sort of groups that form in a Broadway crowd on New Year's eve or on election night. As to the alleged insult to the soldiers by students Dean Jones and a committee of the faculty canvassed every occupant of a room on Chapel street and Dean Jones described the result as follows:

"We found that in one room of Wright Hall there had gathered a group of boys, mostly freshmen, and one boy who had been a student with them at Andover had served overseas and returned to New Haven to prepare for his entrance examinations this spring. Yates Smith of Detroit and Lowell McDonald were the occupants of the room, and they told me the story."

"The Andover boy knew many of the men in the 102d, as he had grown up in New Haven. As they marched by he greeted them and called them by name, and they called back at him. This was all good natured remarks at the time, and they were in uniform and 'How did you get out so soon?'"

"The boys tell me that the soldiers in the ranks of the group this boy knew did not understand what was going on and thought some of the students were kidding them."

Students Keep Temper.
"Each succeeding rank got a little more sarcastic in its remarks at the college windows, but every one agrees that our boys maintained good nature in their replies and that there was no disposition to be nasty. The last part of the parade was a group of sailors, and they made some remarks at the windows, to which the Andover boy

replied: 'If you had as many service stripes as I had you'd be dead.'"

"I am satisfied that that's all there was to it."

The greatest credit is due the students for their behavior to-night. Under instructions from Dean Jones they kept within the gates of the campus or close to their own houses. They refused to answer the jeers of their own crowd. Many of them were mad clean through the night, but they did not, but captains of teams, college leaders, most of them ex-service men with fine records, held the reins under Dean Jones' orders and their cooler counsel prevailed.

Dean Jones admitted that had any 'townie' got within the campus he probably would have been hurt. The town's townsfolk tried it, and the students for the most part stayed in. Those who went out made themselves inconspicuous.

LOAN COMMITTEE
LAUDED AT DINNER

Victory Testimonial to Strong and Aids.

Benjamin Strong, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank, and the other members of the Liberty Loan committee of the Second Federal Reserve District were guests last night of the war loan organization that conducted the five Liberty Loan drives at a "victory dinner" at the Waldorf-Astoria.

The affair was in the nature of a complimentary testimonial to Gov. Strong and others of the committee that acted throughout in an advisory capacity by the bureau and division chiefs in charge of the actual work. Arthur M. Anderson, director of the loan organization, was chairman of the dinner committee, and associated with him were Guy Emerson, vice-director in charge of publicity; Mrs. John T. Pratt, who was in charge of the women's activities; Shepherd Morgan, comptroller of the loan organization, and Charles F. Pritchard, secretary.

Many complimentary things were said of Gov. Strong's cooperation, and that of the other members of the Liberty Loan Committee, in aiding in putting the five loan drives over the top. Gov. Strong and his associates on the committee responded by speaking appreciatively of the work of the men and women in active charge. Their efforts, Gov. Strong said, toward the success of the loan drives were duplicated by no one in the country. Not only did they buy bonds themselves, but they worked long and unceasingly, often under most trying circumstances to induce others to do so.

William G. McAdoo paid a glowing tribute to the work of the Liberty Loan organization, and declared it was the greatest volunteer organization of its kind ever formed in the United States. He also praised the work of the women Liberty Loan workers, saying that what they did during the four drives had proved their right to every civil and political privilege enjoyed by men.

DENIES MACKAY CAN SAVE \$12,000,000

Burleson Says Postal Cut
Would Be Only \$3,000,000
on Lines' Return.

RUIN FOR WESTERN UNION

Explains Latter Carries Bulk
of Low Rate Government
Business.

Special Despatch to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Postmaster-General Burleson joined issue with Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, again to-day over the fiscal affairs of the Postal wire system.

Mr. Burleson sent a letter to Representative Sims (Tenn.), a member of the Interstate Commerce Committee of the House, in which he attacked Mr. Mackay's statement that a saving of \$12,000,000 would result to the public if the Postal lines were turned back, through a reduction in rates by the company of 20 per cent.

The Postmaster-General says that no such saving would result from a cut by the Postal company. After citing comparative business and figures on equipment of the Postal and Western Union he asserts that the saving on the Postal's share of the business would be only \$3,000,000, and says the other \$9,000,000 was thrown in on the presumption that the other company would have to make a similar cut because of the competitive situation. This, he explains, is due to the fact that the Western Union has been forced to carry most of the low rate Government business.

The Postmaster's letter again reviews in detail alleged discrepancies in sworn statements furnished by Postal officials to the Interstate Commerce Commission and to the Post Office Department.

He declares that when the compensation fixed for the Postal was cut down as a result of this that "officials of the Postal company began and have continued to this time a movement inside of the organization of the company and in the public press to hinder and embarrass the Government's operation of this and other telegraph and telephone properties in the most possible way and which has been characterized by false and scandalous statements with respect to the Postmaster-General too numerous to mention."

The Wire Control Board's recommendations for consolidation of the wire lines and for the fixing of rates and wages are reviewed in the letter, and a reminder is given that the Postmaster-General stands for Government operation of wire communication as a national monopoly, despite the record of the trial of this system.

Another speaker was R. C. Leffingwell, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, who represented Secretary Glass. Those at the guest table included Francis L. Hine, James N. Wallace, George Foster Peck, Allen H. Ford, George W. Hodges, Jacob H. Schiff, Mrs. Courtland D. Barnes, Charles H. Sabin, Gates W. McGarr, Frank R. Wilson, Walter E. Frew and George T. Wilson.

THREE BOYS KILLED
BY STREET VEHICLES

Another Drown in Fall From
Barge.

Three boys were killed in traffic accidents in various parts of the city last night, a fourth was seriously injured, and another, William Fitzgerald, 11, of 101 West 124th street, was drowned in the North River when he fell from a barge on which he had been playing.

William Able, a chief petty officer stationed at the Ninety-seventh street naval landing, jumped into the water in an attempt to save the Fitzgerald boy, but the lad went down before he could reach him. The body was recovered and suffered in their revenues by the action of the commission and there is no ground for fear that bankruptcy or even financial annihilation will follow return of wires without remedial legislation safeguarding rates.

ALBANY, May 28.—The up-State Public Service Commission of New York to-day sent telegrams to chairmen of Congressional committees interested in the intra-State telephone and telegraph business should remain under the jurisdiction of State commissions.

"This commission," the telegram reads, "is convinced that so far as concerns the State of New York the telegraph and telephone companies have not suffered in their revenues by the action of the commission and there is no ground for fear that bankruptcy or even financial annihilation will follow return of wires without remedial legislation safeguarding rates."

And now for the page—there is the cutest suit with black satin knickers and Eton jacket, and white satin blouse with little pleated frills trimming the front, the Eton collar and cuffs. Sizes 4 to 7 years. \$14.74

BULLDOZING, MACKAY
SAYS OF BURLERSON

Sees Attempt to Pull Down
Postal to Force Rate Cut.

When shown the letter of Postmaster-General Burleson to Representative Sims regarding the telegraph situation Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, said last night:

"Mr. Burleson's statements do not bear analysis. He says that the Western Union does several times as much business as the Postal, and yet admits that it cannot compete. Everybody knows that a large business can be handled more cheaply in proportion than a small business. This is the secret of the great fortunes and of the great factories, and in fact all phases of American life."

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which is true. And yet why should the public pay for the waste and extravagance of Western Union management by increased telegraph rates?

"We know how the Western Union money goes. For instance, it has a horde of solicitors who don't create telegraph business, but merely try to get telegraph business from the Postal Telegraph Company. I could tell you also of instances where the Western Union puts two branch offices, one on each side of an office, in order to take our business away from us. I could tell you of improvident contracts entered into by that company."

"No wonder that they cannot compete. But why should the American people pay for this waste and extravagance and

bad management?

"Furthermore, what business is it of Mr. Burleson? Has he a mandate from Congress to protect the Western Union against the competition of the Postal Telegraph Company? Who authorized him to insist that the increase in telegraph rates shall continue after he lets go of the telegraph lines?"

"It is bad enough for the Western Union to play the 'baby act.' On what theory is Mr. Burleson shielding the Western Union from competition?"

"The sinister feature of this whole letter of Mr. Burleson is his purpose. What is he after? Does he expect Congress to pass a law prohibiting the Postal Telegraph Company from striking off the 30 per cent. increase? Or does he ex-

pect